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LOK SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on the 20th November, 1957:—

Bill* No. 81 of 1957

A Bill to provide for the formation of the Naga Hills-Tuensang Area of Assam as an administrative unit.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:---

1. (1) This Act may be called the Naga Hills-Tuensang Area Act, 1957.

Short title and commencement.

- 5 (2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.
- 2. As from the commencement of this Act, there shall be formed Naga Hillsa new administrative unit in the State of Assam by the name of Tuensang Naga Hills-Tuensang Area comprising the tribal areas which at 10 such commencement were known as the Naga Hills District and Tuensang Frontier Division of the North East Frontier Agency.

3. In the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, in paragraph 20,---

of the Sixth Schedule to

Amendment

(a) after sub-paragraph (2A), the following sub-paragraph the Constitushall be inserted, namely: -

"(2B) The Naga Hills-Tuensang Area shall comprise the areas which at the commencement of this Constitution were known as the Naga Hills District and the Naga Tribal Area.";

^{*}The President has, in pursuance of clause (9\ of article 117 of the Constitution of India, recommended to Lok Sabha the consideration of the Bill.

- (b) in sub-paragraph (3), after the words "administrative area", the brackets and words "(other than the Naga Hills-Tuensang Area)" shall be inserted;
 - (c) in Part A of the Table, item 4 shall be omitted; and
- (d) in Part B of the Table, for item 2, the following item $_5$ shall be substituted, namely:—
 - "2. The Naga Hills Tuensang Area.".

Amendment of the Delimitation Order.

- 4. In the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Order, 1956,—
 - (a) in the First Schedule, in the entry in column 3 against 10 serial No. 37, the words "Naga Hills," shall be omitted; and
 - (b) in the Second Schedule, in the part relating to Assam, the heading "Naga Hills District" and all entries against serial Nos. 16, 17 and 18 shall be omitted.

Amendment of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.

5. In the Representation of the People Act, 1950,—

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- (a) in Part II of the First Schedule—
 - (i) for the entry—

"21. Part B Tribal areas .. 1",

the following entries shall be substituted, namely:-

"21. North East Frontier Tract ... 1

22. Naga Hills-Tuensang Area ... 1";

- (ii) for the figure "503", the figure "504" shall be substituted;
- (b) in the Second Schedule, for the entry in column 3 against "2. Assam", the entry "105" shall be substituted.

Provision as to the sitting member of Parliament.

6. Notwithstanding the alteration in the extent of the Autonomous Districts Parliamentary constituency in Assam effected by section 4, the sitting member of the House of the People representing that constituency shall be deemed to have been elected to the House of the People by that constituency as so altered.

Territorial extent of laws not to be affected.

7. The provisions of section 2 shall not be deemed to have effected any change in the areas to which any law in force immediately before the commencement of this Act extends or applies, and territorial references in any such law to the Naga Hills District, the Naga Tribal Area or the Tuensang Frontier Division shall, until other-35 wise provided by a competent legislature or other competent authority, continue to have the same meaning.

Explanation.—In this section, law means any law, ordinance, regulation, order, bye-law, rule, scheme, notification or other instrument having the force of law in India or any part thereof.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill seeks to give effect to the proposal to create a new administrative unit consisting of the existing Naga Hills District, now being administered by the Government of Assam, Tuensang Frontier Division of the North East Frontier which is being administered by the Governor of Assam as the agent of the President. This new unit to be named "The Naga Hills-Tuensang Area" will be administered by the Governor as the agent of the President but will be distinct from the North East Frontier Administration. It is proposed to amend paragraph 20 of the Sixth to the Constitution and make certain consequential amendments of the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Order, 1956, and the Representation of the People Act, 1950. Provision is made in clause 5 of the Bill for an additional nominated member in the Lok Sabha to represent the new unit.

G. B. PANT.

New Delhi;

The 14th November, 1957.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

On the constitution of the Naga Hills-Tuensang area as a separately administered unit, the Central Government will have to bear the entire cost of the administration of this territory. Of this, the Tuensang area, already being Centrally administered as part of the North East Frontier Agency, will not impose any new financial burden on the Central Government. The Naga Hills District, however, is at present an autonomous district of Assam and the expenditure incurred in respect of this district by the Government of Assam will now pass on to the Central Government. The annual budgeted expenditure of this district is Rs. 4·88 crores at present. The Central Government already bear a large part of this expenditure. It is roughly estimated that the extra financial burden which will fall on the Government of India will be of the order of Rs. 2·50 to Rs. 3 crores per year.

M. N. KAUL,
Secretary.